

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Masaaki GOTO *et al.*

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Amendment and Response to Office Action Mailed July 27, 2006

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 27, 2006 ("*Office Action*"), Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that are otherwise provided for in the documents accompanying this paper. However, if any additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account Number 50-2387, referencing docket number 16991.016. Applicants likewise authorize a charge to Deposit Account Number 50-2387 for any other fees related to the present application that are not otherwise provided for in the accompanying documents.